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What's New: Collection Highlights

The Education Library's collection continues to grow and develop in new ways. In 2009-2010, the Library began developing a collection of French language children's and young adult fiction and non-fiction. The initial 50 books were well received by teachers in the French as a Second Language Additional Qualification course.

The Education Library also kept pace with new course offerings at the Faculty of Education. In preparation for two new Intermediate/Senior teachables to be offered in 2010-11, the Library acquired new books, textbooks and curriculum materials to support History and Health/ Physical Education.

Digital Resources

Education students are benefitting from a new electronic resource licensed by the Library. The PEEL (Project for Enhancing Effective

Learning) database from Australia includes action research and practical ideas aimed at promoting active learning in the classroom. The Education Librarian created



a video tutorial, in collaboration with a faculty member, to introduce students to the new database.

"[The Education Library] is the hub for discovering quality children's literature and accessing current education resources, all supported through the expertise of knowledgeable and caring staff."

- Faculty Member

Instruction and Reference



In the fall term, the Education Librarian visited all sections of the P/J Language Arts classes and delivered presentations related to library services, resources for research and field placements, and the role of the

teacher-librarian. Also in 2009-2010, an additional six presentations were delivered to Primary/Junior, Intermediate/Senior and Additional Qualification

classes, with topics ranging from subject-specific resources to the four stage research process. About seventeen classes visited the library for orientations and tours in the fall and winter terms.

The Library reached out to the Faculty of Education's new graduate

program with one-on-one assistance to Master of Education students in person, by telephone, email, and through Adobe Connect course software.

"The staff at the Education Library . . . are extremely helpful. They always answered my questions very patiently... a great resource."

-Student

Kate Gibbings: New Part-Time Librarian

Kate Gibbings joined the Education Library in July 2009 as part-time Education Librarian. In addition to her MLIS degree and experience working in government and public libraries, Kate holds a Bachelor of Education degree and taught English a Second Language internationally.

TRC Resources



The Sleightholm Teacher Resource Centre (TRC) has gradually developed, in consultation with faculty, a large collection of children's literature to teach mathematics and social justice concepts. Teacher-candidates in the Primary/Junior program use these books to complete assignments in their Mathematics and Language courses and in their

field placements.

The TRC also increased the size of its graphic novel collection. Critically acclaimed fiction titles

were added, as well as non-fiction related to Social Studies/History, Science and other subjects. New manipulatives and tools in the TRC include a variety of puppets, a portable puppet theatre, and additions to the collection of Ellison dies.





Children's Author Event

The Education Library hosted a children's author event on February 3, 2010. Frieda Wishinsky, an awardwinning author gave two dynamic presentations that drew on her experience as a writer and former special education teacher. She discussed her picture books, juvenile fiction and non-fiction, as well as methods for encouraging students to engage in creative writing. Approximately 85 people from the Faculty of Education attended the event . Many students took advantage of the opportunity to visit with the author and have her autograph their copy of one of her books.





Award Winners!

As in past years, the Library purchased the Ontario Library Association's Forest of Reading award nominees, which include Canadian picture books, juvenile fiction, YA books, non-fiction and French language titles categorized by grade level. This year, the Forest of Reading display was tied to author Frieda Wishinky's visit, as her picture book *You're Mean, Lily Jean* was nominated for a 2010 Blue Spruce award.





Outreach



Collaboration with community partners is an important part of the Library's efforts each year. Activities this year included meeting with the Oshawa Public Library's Children and Youth Services department staff to discuss ways to encourage UOIT teacher-candidates to use the public library. OPL staff also attended the children's author event and a web seminar on young adult literature offered for professional development which the Education Library hosted.

"The Education Library takes a strong role in helping to set the bar quite high for our teacher candidates at UOIT Faculty of Education." -Faculty

By the Numbers...

TRC	2007	2008	2009	2010
Fiction books easy-read, juvenile fiction, and young adult fiction)	1,084	1,178	1,224	2,272
Non-fiction/Dewey (includes easy-read Dewey and student TRC reference books)	1,793	1,991	2,077	2,357
Trillium list, MOET curriculum documents	847	1,293	1,456	1,526
Non-book materials	155	233	485	532
Total items, TRC	3,879	4,695	5,242	6,687
Education Collection (LC)				
Books	1,000	2,000	3,228	3,414
Total items	4,879	6, 695	8,470	10,101